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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJ: NOMINATION OF NEW ECUADOREAN AMBASSADOR JOSE CORSINO
CARDENAS

REF: QUITO 7526

1. AMBASSADOR NOVEMBER 11 RECEIVED OFFICIAL NOTIFICATION FROM MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS ANTONIO JOSE LUCIO PAREDES OF GOE'S NOMINATION OF JOSE CORSINO CARDENAS TO BE NEW ECUADOREAN AMBASSADOR TO THE U.S. IN NOTE DATED NOVEMBER 8 BUT HANDED TO AMBASSADOR NOVEMBER 11 BY SUB-SECRETARY VALDEZ, GOE REQUESTS U.S. AGREEMENT TO NAMING CARDENAS AS AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY AND THAT AGREEMENT BE RETURNED THROUGH AMBASSADOR BREWSTER IN QUITO.

2. TRANSLATION OF NOTE AND FULL BIOGRAPHY, AS PROVIDED BY MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS, BEING POUCHED. SUMMARY OF CURRICULUM VITAE IS AS FOLLOWS:

3. JOSE CORSINO CARDENAS, BORN 7 JULY 1915, IN PASAJE, IN EL ORO PROVINCE, ECUADOR. MARRIED, WIFE AND 5 CHILDREN. ENGINEERING DEGREE FROM UNIVERSITY OF CHILE
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(1938-42); POST-GRADUATE WORK IN ECONOMICS AT THE

UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN (1948-50); MASTERS DEGREE IN PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION AT THE LITTAUER CENTER, HARVARD UNIVERSITY (1950-51); DEVELOPMENT ECONOMICS COURSE AT THE IBRD, WASHINGTON DC (1956-57). PROFESSOR OF ECONOMICS AT THE CENTRAL UNIVERSITY IN ECUADOR (1945-59); DIRECTOR OF THE SCHOOL OF ECONOMICS (1948-49); VICE-DEAN OF THE SCHOOL OF ECONOMICS (1953-57). PRIVATE AND PUBLIC EXPERIENCE: CHIEF OF THE INSURANCE DEPARTMENT, SUPERINTENDENCY OF BANKS (1945-47); MEMBER OF THE NATIONAL ECONOMIC COUNCIL(1947); VARIOUS POSITIONS IN THE CENTRAL BANK OF ECUADOR (1947-60); VARIOUS POSITIONS IN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN RELATIONS (1949-57); MEMBER OF NATIONAL PLANNING AND COORDINATION STAFF (1954-56); MEMBER OF THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON FINANCE, MINISTRY OF FINANCE (1955-60). CARDENAS HAS ALSO SERVED AS ECUADOREAN DELEGATE TO VARIOUS INTERNATIONAL BODIES OR MEETINGS, INCLUDING THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE UN IN 1959; AS AN ALTERNATE GOVERNOR FOR ECUADOR AT THE INTER-AMERICAN DEVELOPMENT BANK AND AT THE WORLD BANK.

4. ACTION REQUESTED: IT IS NOT CLEAR TO US WHY THE GOE HAS FORMALLY NOTIFIED THE US OF CARDENAS' NOMINATION THROUGH EMBASSY QUITO RATHER THAN THROUGH THE ECUADOREAN EMBASSY IN WASHINGTON, BUT WE RECOMMEND THAT PAREDES' REQUEST THAT AGREEMENT BE TRANSMITTED THROUGH US (RATHER THAN THROUGH THE ECUADOREAN EMBASSY) BE HONORED.

5. AN EXPEDITIOUS REPLY WOULD BE APPRECIATED.
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